



Use of Physical Restraint and Isolation with Special Education and Section 504 Students

The district strives to maintain a safe and beneficial learning environment for all students. On occasion it may be necessary to use physical restraint or isolate a special education or Section 504 student to preserve the safety of students and staff. If such restraint or isolation is used, school staff will promptly notify the principal or principal's designee, who will verbally notify the parent/guardian of the affected student within 24 hours and will send written notification to the parent/guardian of the affected student within five (5) business days of the use of restraint or isolation. School staff will document the incident in a written report within two (2) business days. The principal or principal's designee will review the incident with the staff member involved and the student and the parent/guardian.

Parents or guardians of students who have individualized education programs (IEPs) or Section 504 plans will be provided a copy of the district's policy on use of physical restraint and isolation at the time the IEP or plan is created. In addition, the IEP or Section 504 plan will include within the plan procedures for notification of a parent/guardian regarding the use of restraint or isolation.

Legal References: Special Education RCW 28A.155
Students RCW 28A.600
ESSB 1688, Laws of 2013